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**Amendment to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 with the following:

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/176,696, filed January 18, 2000, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference. Additionally, the application of Richard Lipton and Dimitrios Serpanos, entitled "Method and Systems for Data Security", ~~Attorney Docket No. APP 1360 US~~, contains subject matter related to the present application and is assigned to the assignee hereof ~~and has been filed on the same date as the present application.~~